

CHAPTER 67.

CHAP. 68.

An act to protect the Herring and Shad Fisheries on the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay. Passed Feb. 10, 1843.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, Fine and forfeiture.
That from and after the passage of this act, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons whatsoever, other than resident citizens of this State, to fix, set or stake out any sort of gill-nets, either stationary or floating, or any device whatever for the taking of herrings and shad in the Chesapeake bay, or in the Potomac river, at any place on said bay or on said river, within the jurisdiction of this State, from the first day of March, the first day of June, in each and every year; and any person or persons offending against the provisions of this act for each and every offence committed, shall be liable to a fine of fifty dollars, and shall also forfeit the vessel together with the whole of the tackle and apparel, and all the fishing apparatus thereunto belonging, which may be used for the purpose of fishing, one half the fine, together with all the gill-nets, other devices or instruments for taking fish so used, for the use of the informer, and the residue thereof together with the vessel so used and all her tackle and apparel for the use of this State, to be recovered by information and warrant before a justice in the county most contiguous to the place where the offence may be committed, who shall have full power and authority to enforce the recovery and collection of the same.

CHAPTER 68.

An act for the benefit of George W. Morgan, late Sheriff of Saint Mary's county. Passed Feb. 11, 1843.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, Commission-
That the commissioners of the tax for Saint Mary's county, are hereby authorized to levy upon the said county, and pay to the said George W. Morgan, such sum of money as they may think proper as a compensation to the said George W. Morgan, for the expense of providing and keeping a private jail, during the period of his Sheriffalty, the public jail of said county being insecure. ers authorised to levy.